

REMARKS

Claims 1-57 are pending.

In response to the Restriction Requirement of February 27, 2007, Applicant hereby elects with traverse Group II, claims 13-25. In response to the requirement for an election of species, Applicant hereby elects with traverse: (R)-N-Allyl-N-octanoyl-1-phenylethylamine (disclosed in the specification in Preparation Example 7) as the compound represented by the equation (2); N-Isopropoxyloxycarbonyl-N-(2-allyloctanoyl)-(R)-1-phenylethylamine (disclosed in the specification in Example 10) as a compound represented by the equation (3); Methyl 2-allyloctanoate (disclosed in the specification in Example 16) as a compound represented by the equation (4); and 2-Allyloctanoic acid (disclosed in the specification in Example 24) as a compound represented by the equation (5). Applicant respectfully submits that claims 13-16 and 18-25 read on the elected subject matter.

Applicant respectfully traverses the Restriction Requirement. First, Applicant respectfully submits that Group I includes the compound represented by the equation (3), which is obtained in the process of the preparation process of Group II. Thus, Groups I and II share a particular technical feature. In addition, the subject matter of Groups III, IV, V, VI and VII are part of the preparation process claimed in Group II. Thus, Groups III, IV, V, VI and VII share a

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particular technical feature with Group II. Applicant accordingly respectfully submits that the Restriction Requirement should be reconsidered and withdrawn.

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby earnestly solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned attorney at the local Washington, D.C., telephone number listed below.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

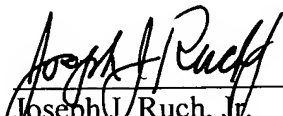
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